

Confirmation No. 3800

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Applicant: | RINK, <i>et al.</i> | Examiner: | Vinh, L. |
| Serial No.: | 10/563,924 | Group Art Unit: | 1792 |
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| Title: | METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND AN APPARATUS FOR USE IN SUCH A METHOD | | |

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE
TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In acknowledgement of the Advisory dated January 2, 2009, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

A complete listing of the claims, with amendments to incorporate underlying limitations, and Remarks/Arguments follow. In that the three-month date of January 17, 2009 has fallen on a Saturday and that January 19 is a federal holiday and January 20, 2009 is a holiday in Washington D.C., this response is considered timely. Applicant believes no extension of time fee is required, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge account No. 50-4019.